

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO
WESTERN DIVISION AT DAYTON

CHRISTOPHER LEE HICKS, SR.,

Plaintiff,

Case No. 3:22-cv-361

vs.

ADVANCED BACKGROUND
CHECK, INC.,

District Judge Michael J. Newman
Magistrate Judge Caroline H. Gentry

Defendant.

**ORDER: (1) REQUIRING THE PARTIES TO MEET AND CONFER; (2) ORDERING
THE PARTIES TO FILE THEIR FED. R. CIV. P. 26(f) REPORT ON OR BEFORE MAY
1, 2023; AND (3) ORDERING THE PARTIES TO MAKE INITIAL DISCLOSURES
UNDER FED. R. CIV. P. 26(a)(1) ON OR BEFORE APRIL 24, 2023**

Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 16 and Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(f), the parties are **ORDERED** to informally confer in good faith and prepare a report as required by Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(f).¹ The parties' Rule 26(f) report shall be filed with the Court on or before **May 1, 2023**. Unless otherwise agreed to by the parties in their Rule 26(f) Report, initial disclosures must be made as required by Rule 26(a)(1). Rule 26(a)(1) initial disclosures must be served upon all parties in the case **by April 24, 2023** and should not be filed with the Court unless submitted in support of a motion.

The parties are **ADVISED** that failure to comply with any provision of this Order may result in appropriate sanctions including, but not limited to, dismissal of this action or the entry of a default judgment pursuant to Rule 16(f) and Rule 37(b)(2)(A). After the parties file their Rule 26(f) report, the Court intends to put on a scheduling order and to formally refer this matter to the United States Magistrate Judge.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

March 29, 2023

s/Michael J. Newman

¹ A form Rule 26(f) Report of the Parties (applicable to the Western Division at Dayton) is accessible on the Court's website at <http://www.ohsd.uscourts.gov/ohio-southern-district-forms>.

Hon. Michael J. Newman
United States District Judge